

STATE FIRE COMMISSION

FIRE PERMIT PERIOD DECLARATION

In accordance with section 61 of the *Fire Service Act 1979*, a fire permit period is declared Statewide from 2am on **Friday 4 December 2020** until further notice.

THIS APPLIES IN THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPALITIES:

SOUTHERN

Brighton
Central Highlands
Clarence
Derwent Valley
Glamorgan/Spring Bay
Glenorchy
Hobart
Huon Valley
Kingborough
Sorell
Southern Midlands
Tasman

NORTH WEST

Burnie
Central Coast
Circular Head
Devonport
Kentish
King Island
Latrobe
Waratah-Wynyard
West Coast

NORTH

Break O'Day
Dorset
Flinders
Georgetown
Launceston
Meander Valley
Northern Midlands
West Tamar



DURING A FIRE PERMIT PERIOD:

1. People intending to light a fire for burning vegetation or for a similar purpose must obtain a permit.
2. People intending to light a fire at a sawmill or factory for burning wood waste or other flammable material must obtain a permit.
3. People intending to light a fire for cooking, warmth or disposal of garden waste do not require a permit provided that:
 - The fire is not lit in peat, humus or marram grass.
 - The fire is attended by a responsible adult at all times until it is extinguished.
 - All flammable material is removed for at least three metres radius from the fire.
 - It is less than one cubic metre in size.

REMEMBER:

All fires lit in the open at any time of the year should be registered with the Tasmania Fire Service by calling 1800 000 699.

Some Local Government authorities prohibit backyard burning in residential areas.

Fires may only be lit with the authority of the landowner.

Fires must not be allowed to spread to neighbouring property.

Neighbours should be informed of an intention to light a fire.

If you don't know your Permit Officer, contact your local fire brigade or freecall **1800 000 699**.

The Tasmania Fire Service has a number of online resources to help you plan for bushfires including Bushfire Survival Plans and Community Protection Plans. Visit fire.tas.gov.au today.

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